51. (previously twice amended) A content provider, comprising:

a storage system to store content;

a server connected to the storage system to serve the content to a local service provider which provides the content to multiple clients;

a network port adapted for connection to a first network, the server serving the content via the first network to the local service provider; and

a transmitter, responsive to the server, to transmit the content over a second network to the local service provider, the second network providing additional bandwidth so that the transmitter can serve the content to the local service provider in an event that the content is not served via the first network within a designated time period.

52. (original) A content provider as recited in claim 51, wherein:

the network port comprises a connector compatible with a wire-based communications network; and

the transmitter comprises a transmitter capable of transmitting signals over a wireless medium.

- 53. (previously added) A content provider as recited in claim 51, wherein the server is further configured to serve the content to the local service provider in response to requests from the multiple clients.
- 54. (previously added) A content provider as recited in claim 51, wherein the server is further configured to serve the content to at least one other local service provider which provides the content to multiple clients.

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55. (previously added) A content provider as recited in claim 51, wherein:

the server is further configured to serve the content to at least one other local service provider which provides the content to multiple clients; and

the transmitter is further configured to transmit the content over the second network to the at least one other local service provider.

56. (previously added) A content provider as recited in claim 51, wherein the first network is a high-speed, high-bandwidth network, and wherein the second network is a broadcast satellite network.

57. (previously added) A content provider, comprising:

a storage system to store content;

a server connected to the storage system to serve the content to a local service provider which provides the content to multiple clients;

a high-speed, high-bandwidth network to communicate the content from the server to the local service provider; and

a broadcast satellite network to communicate the content from the server to the local service provider.

58. (previously added) A content provider as recited in claim 57, wherein the broadcast satellite network includes additional bandwidth to communicate the content from the server to the local service provider.

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59. (previously added) A content provider as recited in claim 57, wherein the broadcast satellite network includes additional bandwidth to communicate a portion of the content from the server to the local service provider in an event that the high-speed, high-bandwidth network does not communicate the portion of the content within a designated time period.

60. (previously added) A content provider as recited in claim 57, wherein the server is further configured to serve a first portion of the content to the local service provider via the high-speed, high-bandwidth network, and serve a second portion of the content to the local service provider via the broadcast satellite network.

- 61. (previously added) A content provider as recited in claim 57, wherein the server is further configured to serve the content to the local service provider in response to requests from the multiple clients.
- 62. (previously added) A content provider as recited in claim 57, wherein the server is further configured to serve the content to at least one other local service provider which provides the content to multiple clients.



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. **(previously added)** A content provider as recited in claim 57, wherein:

the server is further configured to serve the content to at least one other local service provider which provides the content to multiple clients; and

the broadcast satellite network is further configured to communicate the content from the server to the at least one other local service provider.